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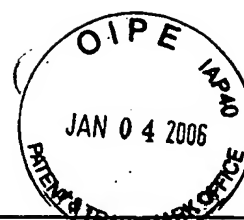
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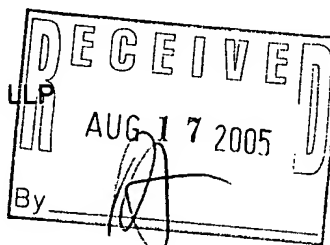


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Method for the immunocytological or molecular detection of disseminated tumor cells from a body

fluid and kit that is suitable therefor

Preliminary Class

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Subject Matter::	Utility
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Suggested Group Art Unit::	
CD-ROM or CD-R?::	
Number of CD disks::	
Number of copies of CDs::	
Sequence submission?::	No
Computer Readable Form (CRF)?::	
Number of copies of CRF::	
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WHEREAS, Michael W. DAHM (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR") has invented a certain invention entitled **METHOD FOR THE IMMUNOCYTOLOGICAL OR MOLECULAR DETECTION OF DISSEMINATED TUMOR CELLS FROM A BODY FLUID AND KIT THAT IS SUITABLE THEREFORE** for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed on **February 14, 2005**, as Application No. **10/524,544**; and

WHEREAS, HEXAL Gentech ForschungsGmbH, having its principal place of business at **Industriestr. 25, D-83607 Holzkirchen, Germany** (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") is desirous of acquiring the entire interest therein;

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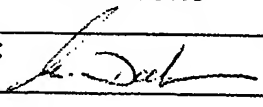
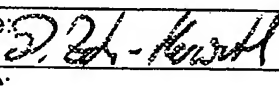
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